## PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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## **NOTICE OF FILING**

## **DOCKET NO. 2016-29-W/S**

Application of Harbor Island Utilities, Inc. for Approval of a New Schedule of Rates and Charges for Water and Sewer Service on Harbor Island, Beaufort County

Harbor Island Utilities, Inc. (HIC) has filed a Request with the Public Service Commission pursuant to S. C. Code Ann. §58-5-210 and S. C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-504 and 103-704 for definition of Service Area. HIC requests that the Commission clarify its sewer service area to include anyone on Harbor Island outside the gated community that they currently serve, if that person or entity desires to tie onto their system.

The Fripp Island Public Service District (FIPSD) provides water service to some of the businesses and residences outside the gated community along US Highway 21, but FIPSD is not able to provide sewer service to any of those customers. HIU is the only entity capable of providing sewer service to anyone on Harbor Island and has adequate capacity to provide sewer service to these additional businesses and residences outside of the gated area along US Highway 21. To cement that capability, HIU requests that the Commission clarify HIU's sewer service area to include anyone on Harbor Island outside the gated community that desires to tie onto their system. HIU is not requesting that anyone be required to tie onto their system, only that they be allowed to, if they desire. HIU proposes that it would charge capacity fees, tap fees, and monthly fees in accordance with the current schedule approved by the Commission.

A copy of the company's Request can be found on the Commission's website at <a href="www.psc.sc.gov">www.psc.sc.gov</a> under Docket No. 2016-29-W/S. Additionally, a copy of the request is available from the office of Robert G. Gross, President, Harbor Island Utilities, Inc., P. O. Box 1028, Beaufort, South Carolina 29901.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter as a party of record, should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **September 11, 2019**, by filing the Petition to Intervene with the Commission, by providing a copy to the Office of Regulatory Staff and by providing a copy to all parties of record. For the receipt of future Commission correspondence, please include an email address in the Petition to Intervene. *Please refer to Docket No. 2016-29-W/S and mail a copy to all other parties in this docket.* Any person who seeks to intervene and who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing, if scheduled, should notify, in writing, the Commission; the Office of Regulatory Staff at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201; and the company at the above address, on or before **September 11, 2019**. *Please refer to Docket No. 2016-29-W/S*.

A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in Columbia, South Carolina in the offices of the Commission located at 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100, Columbia, South Carolina 29210, for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested parties regarding this Application. The time and date of this hearing will be furnished to all interested parties at a later date.

If the Application or Petition in this case contains a request for adjustment of rates, the rates are subject to potential modification by the Commission during the course of this case.

For the most recent information regarding this docket, including changes in scheduled dates included in this Notice, please refer to <a href="https://www.psc.sc.gov">www.psc.sc.gov</a> and *Docket No. 2016-29-W/S*.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100 or visit its website at <a href="https://www.psc.sc.gov">www.psc.sc.gov</a>.

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